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FOR THE AMBASSADOR FROM AF/S MCCORMICK

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: AGEN, BC, LT

SUBJECT: FOLLOWUP ON REQUESTS DURING CONSULTATIONS

1. M/MED ADVISES THAT OBTAINING CIMETIDINE FOR MESSIAH
WILL REQUIRE CABLE OR COMMUNICATION FROM POST INCLUDING
FISCAL DATA, PRESCRIPTION AND NAME OF DOCTOR RECOMMENDING.
ALTERNATIVELY, M/MED COULD FORWARD TO COMMERCIAL PHARMACY
WRITTEN REQUEST TO SEND TABLETS. HOWEVER, COMMERCIAL
COST IN WASHINGTON IS ALMOST EXACTLY WHAT IT IS IN
SOUTH AFRICA.

2. PAUL HOPKINS, LAY SECRETARY FOR AFRICA OF UNITED
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WHOM YOU AGREED TO SEE REGARDING
REFUGEES AND HUMAN RIGHTS RECOGNITION, PLANS TO BE IN
BOTSWANA FEB. 12-14. HE WILL CONTACT EMBASSY ON ARRIVAL.

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3. PEACE CORPS CONTINUES TO PRESS ON REQUEST TO ADD
ONE FSR IN GABORONE. THEY ARE HOLDING OFF PRESENTING
FORMAL MODE REQUEST IN BELIEF THAT YOU WILL REACH AND
COMMUNICATE IN NEXT FEW DAYS DECISION ON WHETHER TO
APPROVE IT. IT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL TO HAVE EMBASSY'S
CONSIDERED ASSESSMENT OF NEED FOR AND WISDOM OF ADDITIONAL
PC AMERICAN, SPECIFICALLY INCLUDING OLIVER TAYLOR'S

FEELING THAT FSL'S SHOULD FILL TWO OF THE APCD POSITIONS AND THAT WE HAVE GOOD CHANCE OF FINDING QUALIFIED BATSWANA FOR AG AND RD POSITION.

4. ALL MATERIALS FROM YOUR CONSULTATIONS ARE BEING POULHED, INCLUDING DRAFT LETTER. A COPY HAS BEEN PASSED TO PERSON YOU REQUESTED. WE CONTINUE TO BELIEVE LETTER WILL DO MORE GOOD THAN HARM IF IT (A) ARRIVES IN EXDIS CHANNEL AND (B) CONTAINS CLEAR AND CAREFULLY CHOSEN FALLBACK OPTION.

5. AGREEMENT TO MODE INCREASE FOR USIS GABORONE (FSL) TRANSMITTED TO GLENN MAYS OVER YOUR SIGNATURE AS INSTRUCTED.

6. DON FRASER HAS ANNOUNCED HIS INTENTION TO RUN FOR SEN. HUMPHREY'S SEAT. AS YOU UNDOUBTEDLY KNEW OR GUESSED, FRASER WAS KEY AUTHOR OF SECTION 116 OF FOREIGN ASSISTANCE ACT. EVERYONE WE TALK TO CONTINUES TO FEEL THAT THIS SECTION WAS INTENDED FOR EXACTLY THE TYPE OF PROJECT YOU PROPOSE IN GABORONE 3067. WHEN YOU HAVE SEEN STATE 305297 (SENT TO GABORONE ONLY), IT MIGHT BE USEFUL FOR YOU TO SEND A TICKLER (AIDAC) ASKING ABOUT THE FOLLOWUP REPLY IT PROMISES. VANCE

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